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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

FREDRIC GOLDSTEIN)

Serial No. 09/340,303)

Filed: JUNE 28, 1999)

Before
OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Group Art Unit

Title: RIBBON CURLING AND SHREDDING DEVICE

Attention: ^{Eugene}Ms. Tina Jones
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.182

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Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to accord applicant's the filing date of June 28, 1999 for the above-identified patent application.

The cogent facts are as follows:

- 1) The divisional patent based on the parent co-pending application Ser. No. 08/902,538 was filed on 06/28/99 and transmitted with a Utility Patent Application Transmittal form [37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)]. Applicant checked off paragraphs 4(b) and 5, incorporating by reference the parent application.
- 2) The PTO issued a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted on 07/28/99 (acknowledging the June 28, 1999 filing date.
- 3) Applicant duly responded to the aforementioned Notice on September 24, 1999 and referenced the parent 08/902,538 patent application which is incorporated in this patent application by reference.

The undersigned attests that the patent application (08/902,538) referenced in the documents noted above and incorporated herein by reference is a true copy of the original patent application.

It is respectfully submitted that applicant is entitled to the earlier filing date of June 28, 1999 and request that this date be accorded to applicant.

Please charge the fee of 130.00 to Deposit Account 06-2000 (Order No. N898) for payment of this Petition. (A duplicate copy is enclosed).

Respectfully submitted,

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